IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

STENKAMP, Dirk et al. Examiner: Patricia L. Morris

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Title: ALKYNE COMPOUNDS WITH MCH ANTAGONISTIC ACTIVITY AND

MEDICAMENTS COMPRISING THESE COMPOUNDS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed February 19, 2008, it is kindly requested that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

Amendments and additions to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.